FISCAL NOTE

SB 1662 - HB 1208

February 16, 2005

SUMMARY OF BILL: Bases the selection and compensation of vocational education instructors on their level and degree of practical experience in the area in which instruction is being given.

ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT:

Increase Local Govt. Expenditures - Exceeds \$100,000*

Assumptions:

- Changing the salary ratings and salary schedules for vocational education instructors would increase local government expenditures if such teachers were given credit for any practical work experience they might have.
- The LEAs would be impacted by the increase in compensation required based on each teacher's practical experience and the necessity of additional staff time to assess the experience and training factors for determining salary.
- Since the Department of Education does not currently know the number of years of practical experience that each vocational instructor has, the increase in local government expenditures cannot be determined, but is estimated to exceed \$100,000.
- The bill does not address the impact on currently employed vocational instructors.

CERTIFICATION:

This is to duly certify that the information contained herein is true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

James W. White, Executive Director

^{*}Article II, Section 24 of the Tennessee Constitution provides that: no law of general application shall impose increased expenditure requirements on cities or counties unless the General Assembly shall provide that the state share in the cost.